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MAN SENTENCED FOR STEALING MAIL

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono announced today that **CHRISTOPHER M. DAVIAU**, 29, of Worcester, MA, was sentenced on in U.S. District Court in Concord to two months in prison and restitution of \$588.65, for Obstruction of Correspondence.

Daviau pleaded guilty on December 19, 2002, to charges alleging that he had illegally opened U. S. mail on or around December 11, 2001, while working for a company that performed contract services for the U. S. Postal Service. Daviau committed the offense in Londonderry New Hampshire. At the time of his plea, Daviau admitted to taking the contents of the packages he opened. At the sentencing, Judge Steven McAuliffe also ordered that Daviau pay restitution totaling \$588.65.

U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated: "We greatly respect New Hampshire's postal workers, who work honestly and honorably under conditions that are often difficult. We owe it to them and to the public at large to enforce the law in any instance in which a postal or contract employee violates the public's trust by interfering with the mails." U.S. Attorney Colantuono commended the U. S. Postal Inspection Service on its handling of the investigation. Assistant U. S. Attorney Al Rubega prosecuted this case.